



# Sutton Park School Newsletter – 6 Dec. 2023

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**Nga mihi, malo e lelei, talofa lava, kia orana, bula, namaste, talofa ni, Fakalofa lahi atu, sabiadee, ola, bonjour, ni hao, welcome, konichi wa, আবে**

## Welcome to Term 4, Week 9

**Concept:** Celebrating our Success

**Value:** Excellence

## End of Year Prizegiving

We started our End of Year Prizegiving for 2023 with the Tongan and Samoan bilingual units on Monday and then the Whenua and Moana syndicates yesterday. Today we had the sports prizegiving and tomorrow we will have our Rumaki Reo prizegiving at 9:30am. It is fitting to end our End of Year Prizegiving with our senior school. Aorangi Years 5-6 will be on Friday morning at 9:30am and the Atea Years 7-8 prizegiving will be in the afternoon.

I have been pleased with the turn-out of parents in all of the prizegivings, so far. This shows the support you have for your child's education. It is important that you continue this support in 2024.

I want to congratulate all of our award winners, you totally deserve it with your perseverance throughout the year.

## Cultural Extravaganza 2023

What a wonderful cultural event we had last Friday. It was lovely to see our community support our annual event and all the students performed very well. Thank you to the staff for getting the items for your class performances done to a very high standard. Well done to all the students who performed, you did yourself and your families very proud.

Thank you to our stall holders for selling delicious food on this evening.

## Malo 'aupito & Faafetai tele lava

To our Tongan and Samoan parents - I thank you for all that you have done for Mr Esera's farewell. What an occasion and an amazing send off for an amazing leader. May our Good Lord continue to bless you all and your families.

## School reports

Your child's end of year report will be handed out to your child next Wednesday 13th December 2023. This is an official document that you will need to keep in a safe place. The report also indicates the progress that your child has made throughout the year, and lets you know which class they will be in next year.

## Classes for 2024

The students returning to Sutton Park School in 2024 have been allocated a class, if you have concerns or would like to change the class, please contact either Mrs Tuaopepe (Years 1-4) or Mr Lemanu (Years 5-8).



**Mr Vaitimu Togi Lemanu, Deputy Principal**

**Term 4 Dates** Please put these dates on your fam

**This week -**

Thurs. 7 Dec: Rumaki Prizegiving 9.30am

: Mr Whippy for best attendance at 12 noon

Friday 8 Dec: Aorangi Prizegiving 9.30am / Atea Prizegiving 12.30pm

**Week 10: End of year Fun Days**

Mon. 11 Dec: Atea syndicate to Panmure Pools (\$10)

Tues. 12 Dec: Whenua to Chipmunks/ Moana to Otahuhu Pools (\$10 each)  
: Aorangi Fun Day (at school)

Wed. 13 Dec: End of Year Reports to go home

Thurs 14 Dec: Y8 Dinner and Dance 5pm-9.30pm in school hall

Friday 15 Dec: Last day of 2023 - **school closes 12 noon**

## 2024 School Year

The school board also approved our 2024 school year. The dates for 2024 are:

**Term 1: 30 January – 11 April**

Public Holidays: Waitangi Day Tuesday 6 February

Good Friday 29 March

Easter Monday 1 April and Easter Tuesday 2 April

**Term 2: 29 April – 4 July**

Public Holidays: Kings Birthday Monday 3 June

Matariki Friday 28 June

**Term 3: 22 July – 27 September.**

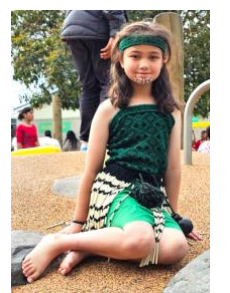
**Term 4: 16 October – 18 December**

Public Holiday: Labour Day Monday 28 October



Above: Yosh

*Photos of R3 dressed and ready for the Cultural Extravaganza on Friday afternoon.*



Top Left – right: Neema, Lucas, Caoilainn, Eztarahmarie, Halatoa

Bottom Left to right: Lavinia, Irihia and Joanna



Above: R14 prize winners

Left: Liyani and William



Above: R24 prizegiving winners



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## Best Attendance

This term, the classes with the best attendance from each syndicate have been awarded with a treat from Mr Whippy! Well done to our Week 8 winners:  
Whenua: (all under 70%) Moana: R24 91% and R17 88%  
Aorangi: R12 91% and R16 87% Atea: R8 85% and R15 85%

## Goals for the Week

Our value for the term is EXCELLENCE. Excellence is about being the best one can be, all the time. We wish for our children to strive to be the best they can in anything they do. EXCELLENCE is an attitude and an important value of the school.

- i. I stick to tasks until they are done.
- ii. I do the right things.
- iii. I listen to my right self.

Vinaka vaka levu, fakauhe lahi, kia orana, fakafetai, nga mihi, malō, fa’afetai tele lava, fakamalō lahi, and thanks for your anticipated support at home.

## Reminders

If you have changed your email address or phone number, please inform the office.

## Children away for 3 or more days due to sickness or injury need a medical certificate.

Please inform the office by 10am if your child is absent for any reason. You can use the online form on the school website, or use the contact details on the letterhead above. If your child is late, please remind them to visit the office before going to class.

## Sun Wise

Melanoma harms our children and all skin pigmentations. Please be mindful in promoting sun protection in our children and we will do likewise at school. Students are expected to wear sunhats, have sunblock on and keep away from direct sun as much as possible.



## FREE ART MONTH

JOIN US FOR A FREE ART MONTH FOR KIDS. WE HAVE OVER 100 DOWNLOADS AND PRINTABLES, AND OVER 200 VIDEOS JUST FOR KIDS TO CREATE THEIR OWN BEAUTIFUL ARTWORKS.

Free access to any new courses and workshops we run during the month you sign up.

COME AND JOIN US AT [www.sarahsstudio.co](http://www.sarahsstudio.co)

CLICK ON THE MONTHLY SIGN UP AND USE CODE: LETSCREATE100

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## PhotoLife Class photos orders

For those who ordered their photos before the free delivery cut-off date, you should have received them from the teacher by now. If you have any concerns, please contact Photolife on 0800 501 040

## Support for Students and Families

Please contact our Awhina Team if you or your children need any support to attend school. The contact email for this group is: [awhimaiawhiatu@suttonpark.school.nz](mailto:awhimaiawhiatu@suttonpark.school.nz)

## Skids Holiday Programme

Skids will be running a holiday programme 15-22 December and 8-31 January.

Scan here to join us this Summer!



## Traffic Safety

It will be most helpful in keeping our students safe if...

- i. They are dropped off at the school side of the road AWAY from yellow lines.
- ii. Cross the road ONLY at the Pedestrian Crossing.
- iii. Park away from yellow lines.

Thanks for your consideration of our students lives and their safety.

## Birthdays for this week and next:

Friday: David R21  
Sunday: Keyano R11A  
Monday: Timote R7, Mila-Jade R16  
Wednesday: Korbyn R13A



## Free Coding Holiday Activity

Summer 2023/24

Educational? Yes!  
Fun? Yes!  
Affordable? Yes! (it's free!)

Suitable for beginner to advanced coders. Ages 9 & 10, 11 & 12, 13 & 14, 15 to adult.

**SIGN UP NOW:**  
[codingnz.com/freeactivity](http://codingnz.com/freeactivity)

Limited spots available





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